

ACADEMIC SENATE MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, August 27, 2009

Present: D. Curtis, G. Differding, D. Hajj, N. Jennings, N. Keeley, J. Miranda,

B. Monroe, A. Munoz, A. Nesta, B. Pescar, J. Reed, P. Santana,

P. Setzer, P. Thiss, G. Thurman, M. Wangler, E. Wiering

Absent: N/A

Guests: Dr. Cristina Chiriboga, Interim President

The senate minutes are recorded and published in summary form. Readers of these minutes must understand that recorded comments in these minutes do not represent the official position of the Academic Senate. The Academic Senate expresses its official positions only through votes noted under "Action."

Call to Order

Academic Senate President Michael Wangler called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

I. Approval of Minutes – Meeting(s) of April 2, April 23, and May 14, 2009 Minutes were not available to approve, but will be available at a later date.

II. President's Report

A. Welcome & Announcements

Senate President Michael Wangler welcomed all veteran Senators as well as the new members and had everyone introduce themselves. He also announced the appointment of Pat Setzer as the Senate Parliamentarian for 2009-10.

There was a discussion of the Brown Act and Robert's Rules and Pat Thiss requested a review of Robert's Rules for the Senate. M. Wangler explained that the Brown Act supersedes Robert's Rules and said he would outline the differences and bring the information back to the Senate for review. There was a suggestion to have a link to both sets of information on the Senate web site.

M. Wangler announced an additional information item for the agenda: BP/AP 4045-Educational Materials-Cost Reduction.

B. College President's Update

Outgoing Interim President, Dr. Christina Chiriboga provided a planning and budget update for the 2009-10 academic year. Dr. Chiriboga said that she had spent the morning with the new interim president, Ron Manzoni and she had briefed him on the status of the college. She said there would be a 'Meet & Greet' with him the following Tuesday, September 1 from 9:00 am to 10:30am and again in the evening.

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Dr. Chiriboga then said that they had defined two types of staffing shortfalls - preexisting and new shortfalls due to the early retirement incentive. She mentioned that at Cuyamaca, the hardest hit unit was Student Services, having large numbers of both pre-existing vacancies and retirement vacancies. Dr. Chiriboga stressed that the criteria for filling these new positions revolved around essential health and safety, compliance regulatory issues, and fiduciary responsibility.

Dr. Chiriboga finished by recommending that the college establish a historical archive and asked that the library help with storage and display of the documents.

Dr. Chiriboga then thanked the Senate for all their work during her tenure and M. Wangler thanked her personally for the great job she has done.

C. College President Search Update

M. Wangler stated that interviews would be held the week of September 8th, and that public forums would be scheduled for the end of September and beginning of October. The intent is to have the new president in place by January 2010.

D. Fall Projects Update

M. Wangler provided an overview of the projects that the Academic Senate will be working on during the Fall 2009 semester. These projects include:

- Establishment of a Senate Awards Committee to oversee all local and statewide Senate awards
- •Develop a new local award to honor the contributions of non-teaching faculty
- •Finalize and publish the newly revised Faculty Handbook
- •Finalize and publish the newly revised College Organizational & Governance Structures Handbook
- •Review, and if necessary, revise the Senate's Constitution & Bylaws
- •Work collegially with AFT on issues of joint responsibility, such as the sabbatical leave process

E. Senate Orientation for 2009-2010

M. Wangler provided orientation materials and reviewed Senator roles and responsibilities for 2009/10. He emphasized the importance of the Academic Senate in the shared governance process asked that the Senators take their responsibility very seriously.

III. Vice President's Report

A. SOC Committee Appointments

Nancy Jennings reported on new faculty appointments to committees. For online Teaching and Learning Committee:

- Lilia Pulido, Student Services Rep
- Cindy Morrin
- Angela Nesta, LRC or Library
- Greg Differding

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For Instructional Technology Council:

- Angela Nesta, LRC or Library
- Scott Eckert, Division I Faculty Rep
- Pat Newman, Division I Faculty Rep
- Greg Differding, Sub-Committee Co-Chair

Instructional Program Review:

Alicia Munoz

College Gender Equity Committee:

Nancy Jennings

Student Services Program Review Committee

Pat Garity

Technology Plan Committee:

Tim Pagaard

IV. Action

There were no action items

V. Information

A. Proposed Revision to May 2010 College Hour

M. Wangler presented a proposal to change the May 2010 College Hour from May 17th, 1-2 pm to May 6th, 11:30am- 12:30pm. This item will return for action at the next Senate meeting.

B. Draft Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Plan

M. Wangler presented the draft EEO Plan for discussion and input and said it needed to be submitted to the State by November. He explained that the Chancellor established a task force to revise the plan over the summer, and was now looking for faculty input, especially for Section 14.

M. Wangler reviewed the definitions section and a discussion ensued regarding the definition of "diversity." He was asked if anything could be added, and if so, it was requested that "sexual orientation" and 'linguistic background' be added to the definition of diversity.

C. BP/AP 4045—Educational Materials-Cost Reduction

M. Wangler introduced the newly proposed BP/AP on reducing the costs of textbooks and other educational materials. He asked that the Senators send it out to their constituency groups for review and feedback.

VI. Announcements/Public Comment

There were no announcements or public comment.

Adjournment - Academic Senate President Michael Wangler adjourned meeting at 3:45 p.m.

Recorded by: Joy Tapscott

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